



Industrial Policy Action Plan

On 18 February 2010 South Africa's Minister of Trade and Industry Rob Davies introduced "IPAP2" in a speech to the National Assembly, attached here in the form of a 4-page document (download linked below). Introducing the Plan, he wrote:

"As a country, South Africa has no alternative to the course of action we propose. Manufacturing and other productive sectors of the economy are the engines of long-term sustainable growth and job creation in developing countries such as our own."

The full 2010/11 – 2012/13 Industrial Policy Action Plan (4-part PDF) is at:

<http://www.thedti.gov.za/ipap/ipap.htm>

This is the Industrial Policy document that Polokwane

promised, and it has since been produced in updated versions, which would be available from the DTI.

Towards the end of the introductory document Dr Davies writes

“It is estimated that the IPAP will result in the creation of 2 477 000 direct and indirect decent jobs over the next ten years. It will diversify and grow exports, improve the trade balance, build long term industrial capability, grow our domestic technology and catalyse skills development.”

This is the kind of good work that puts empirical meaning into the term “developmental state”.

Image: Dr Rob Davies. Cde Davies is also a member of the Central Committee of the South African Communist Party.

- The above is to introduce the original reading-text: [National Assembly Statement on IPAP2 by Dr Rob Davies, 2010](#).
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